Setting up of Special Education Zones

633. SHRI T.T.V. DHINAKARAN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware of shortage of skilled persons in various fields;

(b) if so, whether it is proposed to set up Special Education Zones for imparting education and training in the relevant fields;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) There is no such proposal to set up special education zones. In the Eleventh Five year Plan, a Skill Development Mission has been conceptualized to meet the shortage of skilled persons.

Need based education system

†634. DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI:
SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESORUCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the present education system in the country is not in consonance with the present day needs of the country;

(b) if so, the reaction of Government thereto;

(c) whether comprehensive changes in this education system are needed; and

(d) if so, the reaction of Government thereto and the steps Government have taken so far in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

Private and Government Colleges

†635. SHRI MOTILAL VORA:
SHRI SATYAVRAT CHATURVEDI:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details and number of private and Government colleges in the country, State-wise;

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